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storing a medium in at least one input source prior to printing;
supporting a user's selection of one output destination, among two or more output destinations, for one sheet of a multiple sheet print job and another of the output destinations for another sheet of the multiple sheet print job;
determining a pattern of media feeds for each output set of the print job to achieve a desired appearance characteristic for the output set or a desired assembly of the sheets of the output set.

REMARKS

New claims 27 and 28 are added by this paper. Claims 1-28 are pending in the captioned application upon entry of this paper. A petition for a one month extension of time, a supplemental information disclosure statement, and a declaration of prior invention under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 are submitted herewith. Applicants request reconsideration and further examination.

Claims 1-10, 14-22 and 26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Osari et al. (6,393,232). Enclosed herewith is a declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 setting forth facts showing a completion of the invention in this country before the U.S. filing date of the Osari et al. application. Photocopies of exhibits also accompany the declaration in support thereof. Osari et al. is therefore removed as a 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) reference in view of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 declaration, and that removal of Osari et al. as a § 102(e) reference overcomes the use of Osari et al. in an obvious rejection, and that claims 1-10, 14-22 and 26 are now patentable and withdrawal of the rejection of these claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 13 and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, because both of these claims have two periods. The first occurrence of a period in both of these claims is changed to a semicolon upon entry of this paper. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 13 and 25 are now in proper form.

Claims 11-12 and 23-24 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations

of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants thank the Examiner for noting the allowable nature of these claims, but decline to make any changes at this time since the base claims are allowable, for the reasons noted above.

Claims 13 and 25 stand allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and to include the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants thank the Examiner for noting the allowable nature of these claims, but decline to make any changes at this time since the base claims are allowable, for the reasons noted above.

In conclusion, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-28 are allowable in their present form, and hereby request such allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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